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BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION

The invention relates to a convertible vehicle comprising a retractable top, in particular a folding top, comprising a top compartment receiving the top in its open position, wherein the top compartment is closable by a top compartment lid extending within the rear carbody contour, wherein between the lid and the top stowable within the top compartment a holding-down device is provided that can be placed onto the top upon closing the top compartment lid according to the preamble of claim 1.

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SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION

Based on a convertible vehicle of the aforementioned kind according to the preamble of claim 1, the invention solves this problem in that the holding-down device comprises a counter member supported on the top compartment lid and a support part movable with the top and connectable to the counter member in the folded-down position of the top with the features of the characterizing portion of claim 1. With regard to important additional configurations, reference is being had to the dependent claims 2 to 12.

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BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWINGS

Further details and advantages of the invention result from the following description and the drawings that illustrate one embodiment of the top according to the invention in the form of a folding top in more detail. The drawings show in:

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DESCRIPTION OF PREFERRED EMBODIMENTS

In Fig. 1, the convertible vehicle identified as a whole at 1 is illustrated in a perspective view wherein its folding top 2 that is in the closed position comprises a rear window 4 positioned rearwardly in the area of the roof skin 3 that extends across the passenger compartment. The rear area of the roof skin 3 rests below the rear window 4 on the top compartment lid 8 (Fig. 5) that is positioned together with the trunk lid 5 substantially within a common plane. By means of this top compartment lid 8 that extends essentially U-shaped within the rear carbody contour, the top compartment 6 for receiving the top 2 can be closed.